

## Tucson Electric Power OPEN MEETING AGENDA ITEM

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In the Matter of Impact of the Closures of Fossil-Based Generation Plant on Impacted Communities (Docket No. E-00000A-21-0010)

Tucson Electric Power Company ("TEP" or "Company") is providing comments in response to Staff's request for proposed town hall locations related to the closure of fossil-based generation and impacts to communities. TEP appreciates the steps taken by ACC Staff to further this conversation and docket.

As described in our December 28, 2021 letter in this docket, TEP is the operator of the Springerville Generating Station ("SGS") and anticipates closure of Units 1 and 2 in 2027 and 2032, respectively.<sup>2</sup> The Company has already begun transition planning for these planned retirements. TEP is working with stakeholders, including representatives of the community and employee groups, to develop a plan that will address the needs of TEP employees and assist the Springerville community in economic development activities.

Given the forthcoming closure of the SGS Units 1 and 2, and our current steps to create a thoughtful transition plan early in the process, the Company believes it would be beneficial to host a town hall within the Springerville community, whereby those from St. Johns, Eager and other surrounding communities could also attend. We believe that this will not only help inform the outcome of this docket but also our own planning as well.

Again, the Company believes that successful development and execution of transition plans for coal impacted communities will require the engagement and collaboration of a variety of stakeholders, including the communities surrounding SGS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://docket.images.azcc.gov/E000017398.pdf?i=1642435971383

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://docket.images.azcc.gov/E000017170.pdf?i=1642435971383